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Homicide: 100 Block of K Street, Southeast

(Washington, DC) – Detectives from the Metropolitan Police Department's Homicide Branch are investigating a homicide that occurred on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, in the 100 block of K Street, Southeast.

At approximately 11:38 pm, members of the First District responded to the listed location for the report of an aggravated assault. Upon arrival, members located an adult male, suffering from injuries consistent with an assault. DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services responded to the scene and transported the victim to an area hospital for treatment of life-threatening injuries.

On Sunday, May 19, 2019, the victim succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead.

On Wednesday, August 21, 2019, the DC Office of the Chief Medical Examiner ruled the cause of death as complications of blunt force injuries to the head with ethanol intoxication and ruled the manner of death a Homicide.

The decedent has been identified as **48 year-old Berner Johnson**, of Southeast, DC.

The Metropolitan Police Department currently offers a reward of up to \$25,000 to anyone that provides information which leads to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for any homicide committed in the District of Columbia. Anyone with information about this case is asked to call the police at 202-727-9099. Additionally, anonymous information may be submitted to the department's **TEXT TIP LINE** by sending a text message to 50411.

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